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HUNGARY DEPORTS. TOP ECONOMIC EXPERT TO USSR

Imre Vajda, Undersecretary of State and close collaborator of Rakosi, has been deported to the USSR charged with failure to fulfill the program of the Five-Year Plan, and particularly for inadequate shipments of farm and industrial products to the USSR.

Vajda's arrest caused enormous surprise, since he belongs to the old guard of the Hungarian Communist Party. In connection with the convocation of the Second Party Congress and the drive for strengthening party discipline, purges are expected even among the highest officials.

There has been considerable talk about an eventual change in the party leadership by bringing to the top Erno Gero, who is considered to be more a dynamic and intransigeant than Rakosi. Although many of Rakosi's advisers and close collaborators are not looked upon favorably by Moscow and some of them have been arrested or dismissed, Rakosi might still remain the chief of the Hungarian Communist Party. His powers, however, would be curtailed, especially in economic and domestic policy matters.

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